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INVENTION: "METHOD AND DETERMINATION DEVICE FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE METHOD FOR
DETERMINING A CONNECTING PATH IN A
COMMUNICATION NETWORK"

15 Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

20 In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R.
§1.56, Applicants respectfully request that citation and
examination of the following documents be made during the
course of examination of the above-referenced application
for United States Letters Patent.

25 The present Information Disclosure Statement is
being filed according to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b) and before the
latter occurrence of:

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- (1) three months from the filing date of a national application;
 - (2) three months from the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application;
 - (3) the mailing date of a First Office Action on the merits.

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

10 References AA, AB, AL, AM, AR, and AS are cited for the reasons noted in the International Search Report, a copy of which is enclosed.

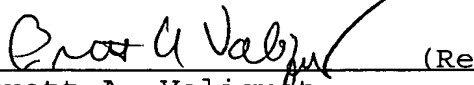
Reference AB is also cited for the reasons noted in Applicant's specification.

15 Reference AN is cited where its disclosure of a communication network having various connecting paths.

Copies of the above-cited references are enclosed for the Examiner's review.

Respectfully submitted,

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